ed for carriage of edible oils. The Indian ships compare favourably with non-Indian ships.

Summer Holiday Special Trains

3427. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY·
SHRI T. R. BALU:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of summer holiday special trains run by the railways last year;

(b) the destination of each of these Summer Specials;

(c) what is the number of summer holiday special trains which the Railway plan to run during this summer; and

(d) destination of each these special trains, months-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) and (c) During summer of 1988, 502 special trains were run and in summer of 1989, it is planned to run 536 specials, subject to traffic offering.

(b) and (d) A statement is attached.

Statement

Details of destination of Summer Specials run during the last year (1988)

	Route	Frequency
1.	Bangalore-Howrah	Bi-weekly
2.	Bangalore-Cochin	Weekly
3.	Madras-Cochin/Calicut	Weekly
4.	Madras-Trivandrum	Weekly
5.	Madras-Tirunelveli	Weekly
6.	Howrah-Delhi	Bi-weekly
7.	Howrah-Dehradun	Weekly
8.	Howrah-Gorakhpur	Weekly
9.	Bombay-Jammu Tawi	Bi-weekly
10.	Ahmedabad-Varanasi	Fortnightly
11.	Bombay Central-Ahmedabad	Tri-weekly
12.	Bombay Central-Gandhidham	Weekly
13.	Bombay Central-Hapa	Weekly
14.	Bombay VT-Gorkahpur	Bi-weekly
15.	Bombay VT-Varanasi	4 Times a week (in April 1988)
16.	Bombay VT-Pune	Daily
17.	Pune-Varanasi	2 Specials (In May' 88)
18.	Vishakhaptanam-Tirupati	Weekly

Details of destination of Summer Specials proposed to be run during ensuing Summer (1989)

	Routes	Frequency
1.	Bombay VT-Pune	Daily
2.	Bombay VT-Varanasi	4 times a week
3.	Bombay VT-Gorakhpur	Bi-weekly
4.	Bombay Central-Jammu Tawi	Bi-weekly (In April'89 only)
5.	Ahmedabad-Varanasi	Weekly
6.	Bombay Central-Ahmedabad	Weekly
7.	Bombay Central-Hapa	Weekly
8.	Bombay Central-Gandhidham	Weekly
9.	Howrah-Delhi	Bi-weekly
10.	Howrah-Dehradun	Weekly
11.	Howrah-Guwahati	Weekly
12.	Trivandrum-Madras	Weekly
13.	Madrs-Calicut	Weekly
14.	Trivandrum-Bangalore	Weekly
15.	Bombay VT-Secunderaba	Bi-weekly
16.	Bombay VT-Trivandrum	Weekly

Ban on Indian Newspapers by Nepal

3428. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRI SOHAN LAL DHUSIYA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Nepal has banned the entry of four leading Indian newspapers viz. Nav Bharat Times, Indian Express, Jan Satta and the Illustrated Weekly; if o, the reasons given by the Nepalese Government for this action;

(b) whether the entry of Times of India, Hindustan Times, Jan Satta; the 'Telegraph'; The Patriot and Dinman was also banned in the past but allowed on the eve of SAARC Summit; if so, what were the reasons given by the Nepalese Government; and

(c) whether issue was taken up with the Nepalese Government if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Government are not aware of any official ban imposed by the Government of Nepal on entry of the Nav Bharat Times, the Jan Satta, the Indian Express and the Illustrated Weekly into Nepal. Their procurement and distribution is done by a Nepalese News agency, and they may have stopped distribution. As there is no formal ban, no reasons seem to have been provided by the Government of Nepal.